

Exhibit 1

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re:)	Case No. 12-12020 (MG)
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RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, <u>et al.</u> ,)	Chapter 11
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Debtors.)	Jointly Administered
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**DECLARATION OF KATHY PRIORE IN SUPPORT OF (A) THE RESCAP
BORROWER CLAIMS TRUST’S OMNIBUS REPLY IN SUPPORT OF ITS EIGHTY-
EIGHTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS ((I) NO LIABILITY BORROWER
CLAIMS AND (II) REDUCE AND ALLOW BORROWER CLAIMS) AS TO CLAIM
NOS. 960 AND 3503 AND (B) THE RESCAP LIQUIDATING TRUST’S OBJECTION TO
MICHAEL BOYD’S MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM THE AUTOMATIC STAY**

I, Kathy Priore, hereby declare as follows:

1. I serve as Associate Counsel for the ResCap Liquidating Trust (the “Liquidating Trust”), established pursuant to the terms of the *Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan Proposed by Residential Capital, LLC, et al. and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors* [Docket No. 6030] confirmed in the above-captioned Chapter 11 Cases. During the Chapter 11 Cases, I served as Associate Counsel in the legal department of Residential Capital, LLC (“ResCap”), a limited liability company organized under the laws of the state of Delaware and the parent of the other debtors in the above-captioned Chapter 11 Cases (collectively, the “Debtors”). I joined ResCap on May 1, 2008 as in-house litigation counsel. Prior to my in-house litigation counsel position, I held various roles within the legal department at ResCap.

2. In my role as Associate Counsel at ResCap, I was responsible for the management of litigation, including, among others, residential mortgage-related litigation. In connection with ResCap’s chapter 11 filing, I also assisted the Debtors and their professional advisors in connection with the administration of the chapter 11 cases, including the borrower

litigation matters pending before this Court. In my current position as Associate Counsel to the Liquidating Trust, among my other duties, I continue to assist the Liquidating Trust and the Borrower Claims Trust (the “Borrower Trust”) in connection with the claims reconciliation process.¹ I am authorized to submit this declaration (the “Declaration”) in support of the *Rescap Borrower Claims Trust’s Omnibus Reply In Support of Its Eighty-Eighth Omnibus Objection to Claims ((I) No Liability Borrower Claims and (I) Reduce and Allow Borrower Claims) as To Claim Nos. 960 And 3503 and the Rescap Liquidating Trust’s Objection To Michael Boyd’s Motion For Relief From the Automatic Stay* (the “Reply”).²

3. Except as otherwise indicated, all facts set forth in this Declaration are based upon my personal knowledge of the Debtors’ operations, information learned from my review of relevant documents and information I have received through my discussions with other former members of the Debtors’ management or other former employees of the Debtors, the Liquidating Trust, and the Borrower Trust’s professionals and consultants. If I were called upon to testify, I could and would testify competently to the facts set forth in the Objection on that basis.

4. In my current and former capacities as Associate Counsel to the Liquidating Trust and ResCap, I am intimately familiar with the Debtors’ claims reconciliation process. Except as otherwise indicated, all statements in this Declaration are based upon my familiarity with the Debtors’ Books and Records kept in the course of their regularly conducted business activities (the “Books and Records”) as well as the Debtors’ schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs filed in these Chapter 11 Cases (collectively, the

¹The ResCap Liquidating Trust and the ResCap Borrower Claims Trust are parties to an Access and Cooperation Agreement, dated as December 17, 2013, which, among other things, provides the Borrower Trust with access to the books and records held by the Liquidating Trust and Liquidating Trust’s personnel to assist the Borrower Trust in performing its obligations.

² Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Reply.

“Schedules”), my review and reconciliation of claims, and/or my review of relevant documents. I or other Liquidating Trust personnel have reviewed and analyzed the proof of claim form and supporting documentation filed by the Claimants. Since the Plan went effective and the Borrower Trust was established, I, along with other members of the Liquidating Trust have consulted with the Borrower Trust to continue the claims reconciliation process, analyze claims, and determine the appropriate treatment of the same. In connection with such review and analysis, where applicable, I or other Liquidating Trust personnel, together with professional advisors, have reviewed (i) information supplied or verified by former personnel in departments within the Debtors’ various business units, (ii) the Books and Records, (iii) the Schedules, (iv) other filed proofs of claim, and/or (vi) the official claims register maintained in the Debtors’ Chapter 11 Cases.

5. In connection with the claims reconciliation process, the Borrower Trust identified certain claims filed by Borrowers that are not liabilities of the Debtors (together, the “No Liability Borrower Claims”).

6. The Debtors sent Request Letters to certain Borrowers, including all of the Respondents, requesting additional documentation in support of the No Liability Borrower Claims.³ The Request Letters state that the claimant must respond within 30 days with an explanation that states the legal and factual reasons why the claimant believes he is owed money or is entitled to other relief from the Debtors, and the claimant must provide copies of any and all documentation that the claimant believes supports the basis for his claim. The Request Letters further state that if the claimant does not provide the requested explanation and supporting documentation within 30 days, the Debtors may file a formal objection to the claimant’s claim, seeking to have the claim disallowed and permanently expunged.

³ A Request Letter was sent to Mr. Boyd on July 21, 2013 and to the Ghods on December 17, 2014.

7. The Debtors received responses to the Request Letters from the Respondents⁴ (the “Diligence Responses”), attached hereto as Exhibit A. However, the Diligence Responses fail to allege bases for valid claims against the Debtors’ estates. Further, as stated in the Objection, the Books and Records do not show any liability due and owing to the Respondents.

Boyd Claim

8. On or around October 4, 2012, Mr. Boyd filed a proof of claim against Debtor GMAC Mortgage, LLC (“GMACM”), designated as Claim No. 960 (the “Claim”), asserting a secured claim for \$186,000.00. See Exhibit B attached hereto.

9. According to the Debtors’ books and records, non-Debtor Plaza Home Mortgage, Inc. (“Plaza”) originated a loan in the amount of \$647,000.00 to Mr. Boyd on January 16, 2007 (the “Soquel Loan”), secured by a mortgage on property located at 5439 Soquel Drive, Soquel, CA 98073 (the “Soquel Property”). See Soquel Note, attached hereto as Exhibit C, and Soquel Deed of Trust, hereto as Exhibit D. Plaza originated a second loan to Mr. Boyd on December 22, 2006 (the “Lakebird Loan,” and collectively with the Soquel Loan, the “Loans”), secured by a mortgage on property located at 1090-1092 Lakebird Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94089 (the “Lakebird Property”). See Lakebird Note, attached hereto as Exhibit E, and Lakebird Deed of Trust, attached hereto as Exhibit F. No Debtor ever owned either of the Loans.

10. GMACM serviced the Soquel Loan from April 10, 2007 until servicing was transferred to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC (“Ocwen”) on February 16, 2013. GMACM serviced the Lakebird Loan from March 13, 2007 until servicing was transferred to Ocwen on February 16, 2013.

⁴ The Debtors received a Diligence Response from Mr. Boyd on July 23, 2013 and from the Ghods on January 13, 2015.

11. At the time servicing of the Soquel Loan was transferred to Ocwen, it was due for the November 1, 2011 payment. On February 9, 2011, the Soquel Loan was referred to foreclosure. On March 1, 2011, ETS Services, LLC ("ETS"), acting as beneficiary for GMACM, recorded a notice of default. See Soquel Notice of Default, attached hereto as Exhibit G.

12. The Lakebird Loan was due for the April 1, 2011 payment when servicing was transferred to Ocwen. On August 9, 2011, the Lakebird Loan was referred to foreclosure. On September 14, 2011, ETS recorded a notice of default. See Lakebird Notice of Default, attached hereto as Exhibit H.

Ghods Claim

13. On or around November 7, 2012, the Ghods filed a proof of claim against Debtor Residential Capital, LLC, designated as Claim No. 3503 (the "Ghods Claim"), asserting a general unsecured claim in an amount of \$60,000. See Exhibit I attached hereto.

14. According to the Debtors' books and records, non-Debtor DiTech Funding Corporation ("DiTech") originated a loan to the Ghods on September 9, 1998 (the "Ghods Loan"), secured by a deed of trust (the "Ghods Deed of Trust") on 12752 Keith Place, Tustin Area, California 92780 (the "Ghods Property"), which was recorded on September 25, 1998. See Ghods Note, attached hereto as Exhibit J, and Ghods Deed of Trust, attached hereto as Exhibit K.

15. GMACM purchased the Ghods Loan from DiTech, which was memorialized by an assignment dated September 25, 1998 and recorded on February 22, 1999. See Ghods Assignment, attached hereto as Exhibit L. GMACM then transferred its interest to Freddie Mac. GMACM serviced the loan from October 29, 1998 until servicing was transferred

to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC (“Ocwen”) on February 16, 2013. At the time the Ghods Loan was transferred to Ocwen, it was owing for the March 1, 2013 payment. See Ghods Servicing Notes, attached hereto as Exhibit M.

16. On October 25, 2004, lender placed insurance was added to the Ghods’ account because the Ghods did not provide evidence that the Ghods Property was insured, as required by the Deed of Trust. See Ghods Servicing Notes. The insurance was added to the Ghods’ account annually as the Ghods never provided proof of insurance. See id.

17. The Ghods continued to make their monthly payment, which included the amount added to their escrow account for the insurance coverage. See Ghods Servicing Notes.

18. On May 21, 2010, the Ghods inquired about the escrow account on the Ghods Loan, asserting that they were not responsible for the insurance because they no longer owned the Ghods Property. See Ghods Servicing Notes. This was the first time the Ghods informed the Debtors of an alleged sale of the Ghods Property. See id. GMACM advised the Ghods that they had violated the terms of the Deed of Trust by selling the Ghods Property without going through a formal assumption process. See id. The Ghods stated that they would provide the Debtors with a copy of the deed evidencing the Alleged Sale, but nothing was ever provided. See id.

19. On or around May 27, 2010, the Debtors sent a package to the Ghods to complete assumption of the Ghods Loan but nothing was ever returned. See Ghods Servicing Notes.

20. On or around June 18, 2010, the Debtors sent the Ghods a letter informing them that as the mortgagors reflected on the account, they are responsible for providing proof of homeowners insurance until the loan is paid in full. See Ghods Servicing Notes.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: August 17, 2015

/s/ Kathy Priore

Kathy Priore

Associate Counsel for ResCap Liquidating
Trust